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RE: FOIA-2019-00922

Dear Ms. Best:

On May 30, 2019 we received your request under the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) seeking access to documents mentioning or relating to Anonymous or hacktivism between January 2, 2009 and January 1, 2019. This letter is to inform you that we will be unable to respond to your request within the statutory 20-business day deadline as codified in 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(A)(i).

The FOIA, as amended in 2002, allows for an extension of the 20-day deadline if one of three types of “unusual circumstances” exist. *See* 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B)(iii). Your request falls under the following circumstances:

1. The need to search for and collect the requested records from field facilities or other establishments that are separate from the office processing the request;
2. The need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records which are demanded in a single request; and
3. The need for consultation, which shall be conducted with all practicable speed, with another agency or two or more agency components having a substantial interest in the determination of the request or among two or more components of the agency having substantial subject matter interest therein.

You may seek dispute resolution services from the FTC FOIA Public Liaison Richard Gold via telephone at 202-326-3355 or via e-mail at rgold@ftc.gov; or from the Office of Government Information Services via e-mail at ogis@nara.gov, via fax at 202-741-5769, or via mail at Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740.

We are continuing to process your request at this time. If you should have any questions regarding your request, or if you would like to narrow your request to reduce the necessary response time, please contact Mark Brier at 202-326-3699.

Sincerely,

Mark Brier